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U.S. Patent 4,563,290, Okada et al., January 7, 1986

Other items:

U.S. Patent 3,544,597, Killam, December 1, 1970

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JP 04-147884, published May 21, 1992, abstracts available in Patent Abstracts of Japan and Derwent Abstracts. The organic amine salt of 2-acrylamide-2-methyl

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propane sulfonic acid is disclosed as one of several possible monomers in an ink accepting layer on a substrate, for an ink jet recording medium.

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